

Making Kids Mind Without Losing Your Own

"First Aid For The Family", Part 4 of 6
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"Train a child in the way he should go, and when he is old
he will not turn from it." (Proverbs 22:6, NIV)

To Raise My Kids In The Way They Should Go (Just Like God Raises Us)...

I) UNRELENTINGLY UNDERSTAND YOUR CHILDREN

"As a father has compassion on his children, so the Lord has compassion on those
who fear Him; for He knows how we are formed..." (Psalm 103:13-14, NIV)

"Homes are built on the foundation of wisdom and understanding..."
(Proverbs 24:3, TEV)

II) ADORINGLY ACCEPT YOUR CHILDREN

"The Lord is gracious and compassionate; slow to anger and rich in love."
(Psalm 145:8, NIV)

"Accept one another..." (Romans 15:7, NIV)

III) DARINGLY DISCIPLINE YOUR CHILDREN

"...The Lord disciplines those whom He loves..." (Hebrews 12:6, NIV)

"If you refuse to discipline your son, it proves you don't love him."
(Proverbs 13:24, LB)

"Discipline your children while they are young enough to learn. If you don't, you
are helping them destroy themselves." (Proverbs 19:18, TEV)

	"Punishment"	"Discipline"
Purpose:	Inflict <u>PENALTY</u>	Promote <u>GROWTH</u>
Focus:	<u>PAST</u>	<u>FUTURE</u>
Attitude:	<u>ANGER</u>	<u>LOVE</u>
Results:	<u>SHAME</u>	<u>SECURITY</u>

"There is no fear in love. But perfect love drives out all fear, because fear has to do
with punishment." (1 John 4:18, NIV)

*How to discipline your children:

1) Do it CALMLY.

"A fool gives full vent to his anger." (Proverbs 29:11, NIV)

2) Do it QUICKLY.

"He who spares the rod hates his son, but he who loves him is careful to
discipline him." (Proverbs 13:24, NIV)

3) Do it SPARINGLY.

"Fathers, don't scold your children so much that they become discouraged and
quit trying." (Colossians 3:21, LB)

IV) LAVISH LOVE ON YOUR CHILDREN

1) Through AFFECTION.

"The Lord is good to all; He has compassion on all He has made." (Ps. 145:9, NIV)

2) Through AFFIRMATION.

"He helps those who are in trouble; He lifts those who are fallen." (Ps. 145:14, TEV)

3) Through ATTENTION.

"The Lord is near to all who call to Him..." (Psalm 145:18a, NIV)

V) CULTIVATE CONSISTENCY w/YOUR CHILDREN

"The Lord is righteous in all His ways..." (Psalm 145:17a, NIV)

"The Lord is faithful to all his promises." (Psalm 145:13b, NIV)